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<b>APPLICANT:</b>	Bradford B. Glade, et al	<b>GROUP ART UNIT:</b>	2187
<b>U.S.S.N.:</b>	10/810,971	<b>CONFIRMATION NO.:</b>	9655
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		<b>CUSTOMER NO.</b>	<b>24227</b>
<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING STORAGE NETWORKS AND FOR MANAGING SCALABILITY OF VOLUMES IN SUCH A NETWORK</b>		

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 28, 2006. This response is being filed with a Petition for Extension of One Month to reply to the Office Action in which a shortened 2 Month period has been asserted. The proper fee and any other fees that may be due

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are hereby authorized with an originally executed and one copy of the Transmittal Form filed herewith.

Please amend the subject application, as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.